

II. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-13 (Canceled without prejudice or disclaimer)

14. (Original) A method for the preparation of CAV according to claim 1, comprising the steps of:

- a. inoculating a susceptible substrate with the CAV,
- b. propagating the virus, and
- c. harvesting CAV containing material.

15. (Original) A method for the preparation of a vaccine for protecting poultry against disease conditions resulting from a CAV infection, comprising the step of combining the harvested CAV containing material according to claim 14 with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

16. (Original) The CAV according to claim 14, wherein the titre of the reference sample against the CAV is at least 12 (\log_2) per 50 μ l when examined against 300-1000 TCID₅₀ per 50 μ l of the CAV.

17. (Original) The method according to claim 14, further comprising the step of inactivating the CAV.

18. (Original) The method according to Claim 14 wherein the CAV has the identifying characteristics of the CAV strain 319, which is deposited at the ECACC under accession no. 00012608.

19. (Original) The method according to Claim 14 wherein the CAV is CAV strain 319, which is deposited at the ECACC under accession no. 00012608.